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BLACKPOOL, ENGLAND, OCT. 13, REUTER - BRITISH PRIME MINISTER EDWARD HEATH SAID TODAY THAT THE NEW MIDDLE EAST WAR PROVED YET AGAIN THAT THE SUPER POWERS DID NOT AND COULD NOT CONTROL WORLD EVENTS.

SPEAKING AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF HIS RULING CONSERVATIVE PARTY, HEATH SAID IT WAS A CLICHE THAT THE PRESENT TIME WAS AN AGE OF SUPERPOWERS. HOWEVER, DAY BY DAY, IT COULD BE SEEN THAT THIS WAS NOT THE WHOLE TRUTH.

"THE TRAGIC OUTBREAK OF WAR IN THE MIDDLE EAST PROVES YET AGAIN THAT THE SUPER POWERS DO NOT AND CANNOT CONTROL WHAT HAPPENS IN THE WORLD," HE STATED.

"THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A ROLE FOR THE MIDDLE POWERS - PARTICULARLY PERHAPS FOR COUNTRIES LIKE OUR OWN WHICH HAVE A LONG EXPERIENCE OF ADVENTURE AND DIPLOMACY IN EVERY CORNER OF THE GLOBE."

THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THAT BRITAIN'S ONE INTEREST IN THE PRESENT MIDDLE EAST SITUATION WAS TO WORK FOR A SETTLEMENT UNDER THE TERMS OF THE U.N. RESOLUTION CALLING FOR ISRAEL TO WITHDRAW FROM TERRITORY OCCUPIED IN THE 1967 WAR.

HEATH ADDED: "IT IS URGENT. FOR THE LONGER THE WAR DRAGS ON, THE GREATER THE DANGER OF OTHER ARAB COUNTRIES BEING SUCKED INTO IT, THE GREATER THE RISK OF THE SUPER POWERS THEMSELVES BECOMING INVOLVED, THE GREATER THE POSSIBILITY OF DAMAGE TO THE INTERESTS OF THE WHOLE WESTERN WORLD."

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